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SUBJ : ELF ACTIVITIES/BANDITRY

1. BAND OF ELF ENTERED ADI UGRI ERITREA ABOUT 2200 HOURS 8 JUNE, LOOKING FOR CAPTAIN OF POLICE FORCE. CAPTAIN ELUDED ELF BUT GUN BATTLE FOLLOWED WHICH LASTED UNTIL 0200 HOURS 9 JUNE. ONE SOLDIER AND ONE STUDENT ARE REPORTED DEAD. UNCONFIRMED REPORTS INDICATE ELF USED MACHINE GUNS AND MORTARS. ELF FLED WHEN ARMY TANKS APPEARED AT DAWN.

2. ON 9 JUNE IN THE VILLAGE OF NEFASIT, LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 30 KMS FROM ASMARA ON ROAD TO MASSAWA, 12 CARS WERE STOPPED AND ROBBED BY SHIFTA. THIS IS ANOTHER IN A SERIES OF HIGHWAY ROBBERIES.

3. ITALIAN FARMER KIDNAPPED BY ELF ON 3 JUNE WAS RELEASED ON 9 JUNE. WE ASSUME A RANSOM WAS PAID.
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